



Each Student Succeeds

Northridge Middle School's RTI process

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What is RTI

- RTI is the practice of (1) providing high-quality instruction/intervention matched to student needs and (2) using learning rate over time and level of performance to (3) make important educational decisions.

(Batsche, et al., 2005)

- Problem-solving is the process that is used to develop effective instruction/interventions.

What is RTI at Northridge

Do the Right Thing

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODqjUqW3c0U>

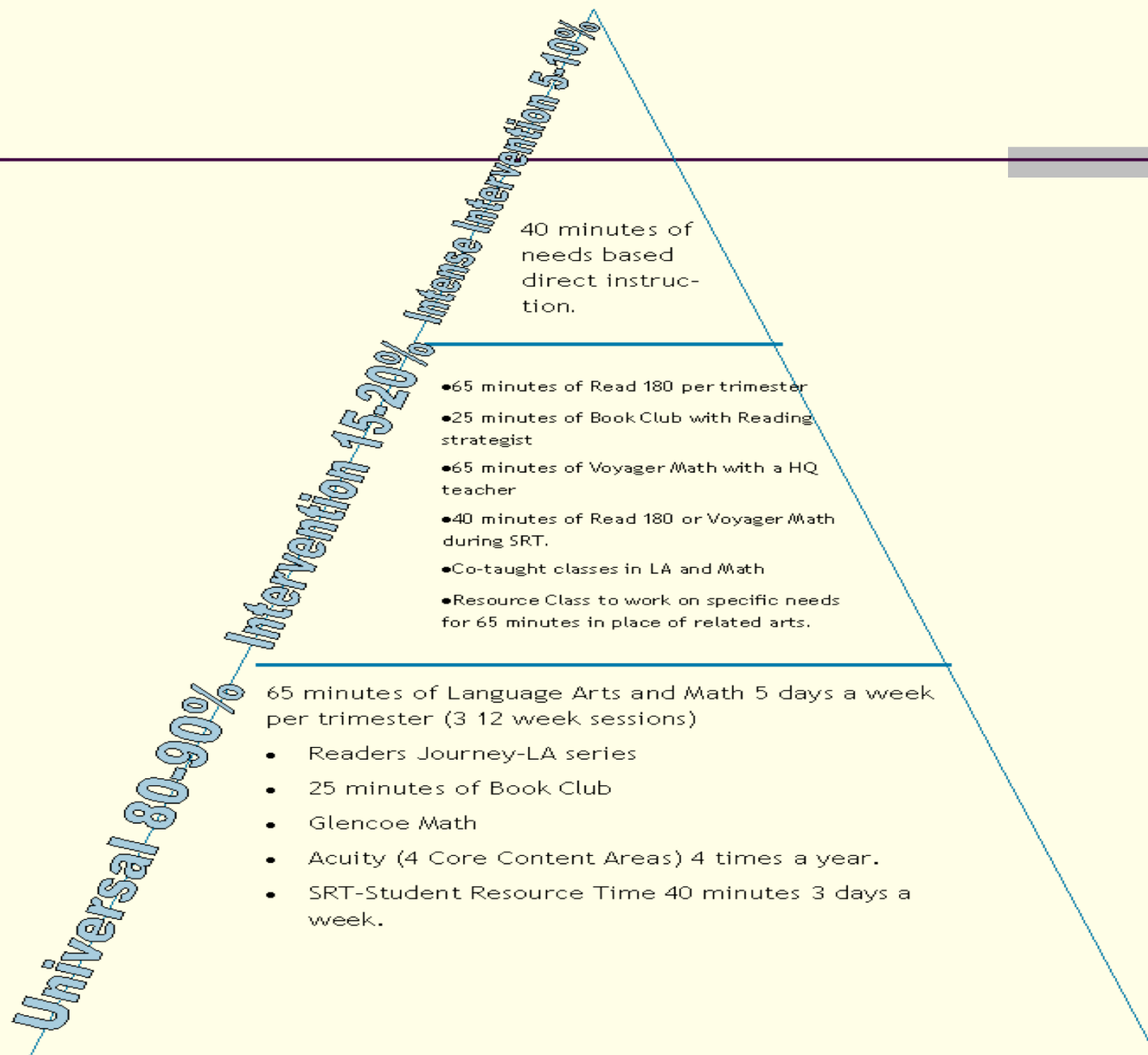
How do we start?

- Referral process- What NR looks like
- RTI Classroom screener done on all struggling students each trimester.
- Interventions/assessments
- Celebrations

Middle School Vignette: Sam

Sam is 12 and in the seventh grade. He has average intelligence but rarely makes above a D on his report cards. Since he was 9 years old, Sam has been on and off medication for his hyperactivity; however, he continues to be easily distracted during instruction-sometimes getting up and wandering around the classroom. Sam rarely completes his assignments and never participates in class discussions. When Sam's teachers ask him a question, he often responds by mumbling incomplete sentences. Lately Sam has been showing signs of frustration-he becomes irritable when his teachers try to help him with his work and he angers easily in response to their encouragement that he can do better. Sam's science teacher, Mr. Davis, became alarmed after Sam responded to his direction to "get busy and stop being so lazy" by poking a lab instrument into his arm until it bled. His parents report that he hates school because he feels like a failure.

Northridge RTI Model



What have we learned...

- Professional development for staff is the key ingredient.
- Paradigm shift...
- Fluid... as state requirements and students needs change.
- Team based
- Will not happen overnight; be patient 😊

Questions and Answers

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